

# THE JUSTICE FILES

## Tech sergeant pays the price for filing false hurricane evacuation claim

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The following actions were administered on Charleston AFB in January and February:

### Courts-martial

A technical sergeant was convicted by a special court-martial for filing a false travel voucher in the amount of \$933.56. The false travel voucher was filed for expenses claimed in association with evacuation during Hurricane Floyd. He also failed to pay for five months his overdue Nations Bank Government Visa charge card in the amount of \$468.27.

He was sentenced to two months confinement at the Charleston Naval Brig and reduction to senior airman.

An A1C was convicted by a summary court-martial for failing to report to duty on two separate occasions, underage drinking, and disobeying the restriction to base order of his commander.

He was sentenced to 1 month confinement, \$620.00 forfeitures in pay, and reduction to AB.

### Article 15 actions

A senior airman misused his Nations Bank Government Visa Charge Card by making four unauthorized miscellaneous cash advances totaling \$998.00 and six unauthorized miscellaneous charges totaling \$91.10.

His punishment was suspended reduction to A1C, 15 days extra duty, and a reprimand. Because of the offense, the individual also lost his line number for staff sergeant.

A senior airman was stopped at the Dorchester Gate for driving under the influence of alcohol. The member was driving down the middle of the road as he approached the gate. A blood alcohol content test was administered and the individual's breath alcohol level registered at .15.

Punishment was reduction to airman first class and a reprimand.

A senior airman repeatedly failed to attend the mandatory Monitored Fitness Improvement Program.

Punishment was suspended reduction to airman first class and a reprimand.

A senior airman used marijuana which was detected by a random urinalysis test.

Punishment was reduction to airman.

A senior airman with a long history of failing to go failed to report to duty on time. He also lied to the section chief that he had reported to sick call and was placed on quarters.

His punishment was suspended reduction to airman first class, 15 days restriction to CAFB and 30 days extra duty.

An airman first class failed to report to duty on time on two separate occasions. The member had a history of failing to go. He also ignored repeated reminders to pay his five months past due Delayed Payment Plan account in the amount of \$118.00.

Punishment was reduction to airman basic and 30 days extra duty.

An airman first class who was on stand-by duty attempted to purchase alcohol at an off-base location while intoxicated. The store clerk refused to sell the member the alcohol. The member became angry. The store clerk called the police to have the member removed from the store. The police then turned the member over to his first sergeant.

Punishment was suspended reduction to airman and 30 days restriction to CAFB.

An airman first class misused his Nations Bank Government Visa Charge Card by making 3 unauthorized miscellaneous cash advances totaling \$401.00 and five unauthorized miscellaneous charges totaling \$81.98.

Punishment was 14 days restriction to CAFB, 14 days extra duty and a reprimand.

An airman first class failed to conduct a required walk-around of an aircraft spot during pick-up of a piece of equipment on the flight line. His failure to follow proper procedures resulted in extensive damage to the AC power cable and aircraft receptacle.

His punishment was suspended reduction to airman, 14 days extra duty, and a reprimand.

An airman first class failed to report to duty on time. The member had a history of failing to report on time.

Punishment was suspended reduction to airman and 15 days extra duty.

An airman first class failed to report to duty on time on three separate occasions.

Punishment was suspended reduction to airman and 30 days extra duty.

An airman failed to report to duty on time. The member had received a previous Article 15 for failing to report to duty on time on three separate occasions.

The member's punishment was reduction to airman basic and 30

days extra duty.

An airman was returning from an off-base establishment as a passenger in the vehicle of a friend when they were stopped at the Dorchester Gate for I.D. checks. The member was suspected of being both underage and drunk. A check of his I. D. card and a breath analysis test confirmed this. The member had a blood alcohol content of .13 and was under the age of 21.

Punishment was suspended reduction to airman basic, 30 days restriction to CAFB and 30 days extra duty.

### Vacation actions

An airman first class received an Article 15 for disobeying a lawful order not to drive on CAFB.

His punishment was a suspended reduction to the grade of airman, 30 days restriction to CAFB and 30 days extra duty. This suspended reduction was later vacated for again disobeying the same order not to drive on base.

An airman first class received an Article 15 for misuse of his Nations Bank Government Visa Charge Card.

His punishment was a suspended reduction to airman and 14 days extra duty. This punishment was later vacated for failing to report to duty on time.

An airman first class received an Article 15 for failing to report to his first sergeant's office on time on two separate occasions. He also failed to terminate his on-base quarters as he was directed to do.

His punishment was a suspended reduction to airman, 30 days restriction to CAFB and 45 days extra duty. This punishment was later vacated for failing to report to duty on time.

### Suspensions

A technical sergeant received an Article 15 while deployed to Incirlick AB, Turkey, for operating a government vehicle while intoxicated. His Blood Alcohol Analysis was .14.

His punishment was reduction to staff sergeant and forfeiture of \$300 pay for two months. His hard bust to staff sergeant was later suspended for his subsequent good conduct.

An airman received an Article 15 for disobeying a written order from his commander to avoid any type of contact with the civilian wife of another member in his squadron. The

member continued to have contact with the woman via e-mail and letters.

His punishment was reduction to airman basic, 14 days restriction to CAFB and 14 days extra duty. His hard bust to airman basic was later suspended for his subsequent good conduct.

### Administrative discharges

An airman basic was discharged for unsatisfactory duty performance. He received an Article 15 for failure to pay his seriously delinquent Nations Bank Government Visa Charge Card. He also received an Article 15 for failure to pay his DPP account and for reporting late to duty on two separate occasions. The member was reduced from senior airman to airman basic as a result of his Article 15s.

The member was separated with a general discharge.

An airman basic was discharged for drug abuse, specifically, use of cocaine. The individual was convicted by a general court-martial, but the adjudged sentence did not include a punitive discharge.

The member was separated with a general discharge.

An airman basic was discharged for unsatisfactory duty performance. He received two Letters of Reprimand for failing to pay just debts, and three LORs for failing to report to duty on time. He also received two Article 15s for failure to report to duty on four separate occasions.

He was separated with a general discharge.

An airman was discharged for unsatisfactory duty performance. He received three Letters of Counseling and an LOR for reporting late for duty. He also received two LORs for failing to report to mandatory appointments. He received an Article 15 for reporting late to duty and received a suspended reduction to airman, which was later vacated for failing to report to duty again.

He was separated with a general discharge.

An airman first class was discharged for unsatisfactory duty performance. He received eight LORs for various offenses such as missing appointments, failing to pay just debts and failing to upkeep on-base quarters. He also received three LOCs for similar offenses.

He was separated with a general discharge.

An airman first class and an airman were discharged for mental disorders.

They both received honorable discharges.

### Demotions

A senior airman was demoted to the rank of airman first class for his sixth failure in the Weight Management Program.

